

# Vandalism

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Duxbury Clipper

## Clipper Hit by Vandals

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The office of the *Clipper* was the target of vandals sometime over the weekend, resulting in damage to the building's front window.

*Clipper* employees arrived to work Monday morning to find a damaged Plexiglas shield on the outside of the building and broken glass and a damaged wooden frame on the inside. Employees said it does not look like the vandals gained access to the inside of the building, due in part to the Plexiglas shield in front of the window.

An empty case of beer and a few beer cans were also found in the front and rear parking lots of the building on Monday.

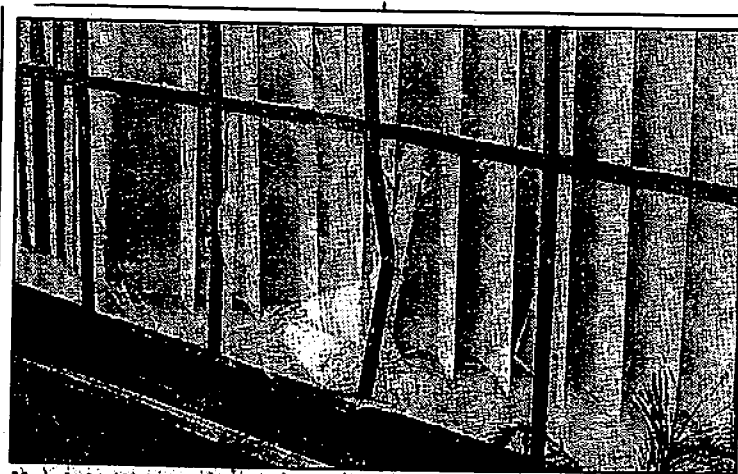
The incident is believed to have happened sometime between Saturday night and early Monday morning.

Duxbury police surveyed the damage and called in the Plymouth County Sheriff's Bureau of Criminal Investigation, who took photos of the damaged window.

Patrolman Tom Johnson of the Duxbury Police Department said that a picture window of a residence on the other side of town was also reported broken over the weekend, but that there were no other reports of vandalism in the area around the *Clipper* office.

Johnson said that damage like this is commonly seen by his department.

"It's a sport," he said. "I wish we could get the word out that this happens and discourage people from damaging the property of those in town, but this is not a new problem [in Duxbury] unfortunately."



Vandals did damage to the outside and inside of the *Clipper*'s front window sometime over the weekend.